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THE NATIONAL CLUB.

Board of Directors.

President:

ALEXANDER MANNING, Esq.

Vice-Presidents:

HUGH BLAIN, Esq. ANDREW DARLING, Esq.

Secretary-Treasurer:

W. W. EVATT, Esq.

Members of House Committee:

HERBERT ROBINSON, Esq. W. W. COPP, Esq.
W. G. MUTTON, Esq.

Members of Finance Committee:

B. CUMBERLAND, Esq. R. K. BURGESS, Esq.
A. A. ALLEN, Esq.

Members of Billiard-Room Committee:

JOHN AKERS, Esq. F. F. MANLEY, Esq.
H. COOPER, Esq.

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THE NATIONAL CLUB.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

1.—The entire management of the affairs of the Club shall be entrusted to a Board of Directors, consisting of thirteen members.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

2.—At every Annual Meeting the Club shall nominate and ballot for a President, two Vice-Presidents, Secretary-Treasurer, and nine Directors, who shall constitute the Board of Directors, and they shall remain in office until their successors be appointed.

PRESIDENT.

3.—It slall be the duty of the President to preside at all the meetings (when present), to see the rules and regulations strictly enforced, to call all meetings, and have a general supervision over all the affairs of the Club.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.

4.—In case of the absence, resignation or death of the President, one of the Vice-Presidents shall

perform all the duties pertaining to the office of President.

ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES.

5.—The Board of Directors shall elect from their own body, three executive committees, namely: a House Committee, a Finance Committee, and a Billiard Room Committee; each of the said committees to consist of three persons, who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board of Directors.

SECRETARY-TREASURER.

6.—The Secretary-Treasurer shall see that all fees, charges and subscriptions, are regularly collected, have charge of all the funds of the Club, and keep a regular account thereof subject to monthly examination and audit by the Finance Committee, and he shall pay out the same from time to time under the general directions of the Board or any Committee thereof, by Cheque or other order, countersigned by the President or one of the Vice-Presidents; and shall also keep a record of all matters transacted at the meetings of the Club or Board of Directors; shall notify candidates for admission of their election, and execute such writings and acts, matters and things, as he may be officially instructed and authorized to execute and perform; and shall have the custody of the corporate seal of the Club, but which seal can only be affixed to any instrument or written document so as to legally bind the Club as a corporation, when and as the same is also signed and attested by the President or one of the Vice-Presidents.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES.

7.—The President, Vice-Presidents and Secretary-Treasurer, shall be *ex-officio* members of each of the Executive Committees.

2. The House Committee shall make all purchases authorized by the Board of Directors, regulate the price to be charged upon all articles sold in the Club, make monthly returns to the Board of all the stock of supplies on hand, and the amount bought and sold during the month previous, and report monthly to the Board all matters necessary to be done for the comfort and convenience of the members of the Club.

3. The Finance Committee shall report the names of such members as are in arrears, and the sums they own respectively, once in each month, to the Board, see that the Secretary-Treasurer performs the duties of his office accurately, promptly and efficiently, and examine and audit his accounts monthly, and execute the details of all financial schemes and duties as they shall be requested by the Board to carry out and perform, and have a general supervision of the finances of the Club, and shall from time to time make a report of the financial position of the Club to the Board.

4. The Billiard Room Committee shall have supervision of the billiard tables and room, library and periodicals, and shall make such rules and regulations with respect thereto as they shall deem meet; and shall report to the Board a monthly account of the billiard tables, with receipts and expenditures in respect of the same.

5. The names of the members constituting the said Committees shall be kept posted in a conspicuous place in the Club House.

POWERS OF THE BOARD.

8.—The Board of Directors shall take into consideration all affairs affecting the welfare of the Club, shall authorize all expenditures, ballot for all candidates for admission to membership, and serve as the tribunal before whom all questions or differences which shall and might affect the interests of the Club may be laid, and the decision of the Board thereon shall be final and conclusive, except in cases where an appeal is expressly given in these By-laws to the members of the Club.

BOARD MEETINGS.

9.—The said Board shall hold monthly meetings, or whenever they shall be summoned by the President or a Vice-President, and shall have full power to suspend any officer on receiving evidence of the faithless discharge of his duties by said officer, and appoint one to fill the vacancy until the regular election. Five members of the Board shall form a quorum for the transaction of all business, except as hereinafter provided for the suspension or forfeiture of membership, or the expulsion of a member, or with respect to the admission of any member.

VACANCIES IN BOARD.

10.—The Board shall have full power to fill any vacancy which may occur from death, resignation,

or otherwise, either among the officers or Directors, and any election so by them made shall be valid until the next ensuing annual meeting of the Club.

RULES.

11.—The Board shall also prescribe such rules for regulating the internal and domestic affairs and conduct of the Club, as in their judgment may from time to time become necessary and proper; and shall have full power to appoint and remove the steward and all servants of the Club at the pleasure of the Board.

REMOVAL FROM OFFICE.

12.—The Club shall retain the power of vacating the places of any members of the Board of Directors, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, at a special meeting called for that purpose.

SUSPENSION OR FORFEITURE OF MEMBERSHIP OR EXPULSION.

13.—The Board of Directors shall have power, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, at a special meeting of the Board called for the purpose, and which, upon complaint made at any time by not less than three members of the Club, shall be called to enquire into, and thereupon in its discretion to suspend or forfeit the membership of or expel any member for any conduct on his part either in or out of the Club House, likely to endanger the welfare, interests, or character of the Club; or for wilfully infringing any of the By-laws,

Rules or Regulations of the Club, or for conduct unbecoming a gentleman.

2. At any time within thirty days after such suspension, forfeiture or expulsion, a special meeting of the Club may be called, if requested, in writing by ten members, addressed to the Secretary, at which meeting an appeal may be taken from the decision of the Board of Directors, and the member may be restored by a vote of a majority of members present.

3. Any decision of the Board of Directors upon the suspension of any member, or the forfeiture of his membership, or his expulsion, shall be final and conclusive, and not subject to the review or decision of any Court of Justice, but only to the appeal to a special meeting of the members of the Club as hereinbefore provided.

4. No vote shall be taken on proposed suspension or forfeiture of membership, or expulsion, until after five day's notice at least shall have been given to the member in question, stating the ground of complaint, and time of meeting of the Board.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS.

14.—No person shall become a member of the Club until he shall have attained the age of twenty-one years.

2. Every candidate for admission must be proposed by one member and seconded by another, previous to his being balloted for by the Board of

Directors. His name and those of his proposers shall be posted in a conspicuous place in the Club House, at least ten days before being balloted for.

3. No candidate for membership shall be elected unless he shall receive an affirmative vote of a majority of the Board of Directors, at which seven members at least are present, and two black balls shall exclude any candidate.

4. After a candidate shall have been balloted for, and rejected, any member of the Board then present may demand a second ballot before the Board adjourns. In the event of a candidate being elected, he shall thereby become a member of the Club, and the Secretary shall notify the same to him in writing, and shall request him to pay the necessary fees.

5. If the elected candidate shall not pay the necessary fees within two months after his election, the Board of Directors at any time thereafter may consider him as not having been elected, by resolution to that effect, without notice to the elected candidate.

15.—There shall be three classes of members :

(1) Members resident in the city of Toronto or within five miles thereof.

(2) Members non-resident.

(3) Members privileged.

2. The resident members shall not exceed three hundred in number, and each resident member shall pay an entrance fee of fifty dollars, and an

annual subscription of twenty-five dollars, payable in advance on the first day of April in each year. In lieu of the entrance fee, it shall be at the option of the member to pay the same in two instalments of twenty-five dollars each, at the same time as his annual subscription.

3. Non-resident members are subject to election in the same manner as resident members, and are required to pay an entrance fee of twenty-five dollars. The annual subscription of non-resident members shall be ten dollars, payable in advance on the first day of April in each year.

4. Privileged members are entitled to the privileges of the Club for the periods hereinafter mentioned, without entrance fee or subscription, but shall have no right to introduce any friend, or to attend meetings, or in any way interfere with the management of the Club.

5. If any member shall fail to pay his subscription for the current year before the first day of May, in that year, his name shall be posted up in the Club upon that day, and notice shall be sent to him by the Secretary, and if the subscription be not paid before the first day of June, of that year, the defaulter may be struck off the roll of membership, by resolution of the Board of Directors to that effect, without further notice to the defaulter.

MEMBERS DEFINED.

16.—A resident member is one who lives in the city of Toronto, or within five miles therefrom, or who has his place of business in such city.

2. A non-resident member is one whose usual place of abode or business is distant more than five miles from such city, and who has not during his membership resided in the city of Toronto for a longer period than three months in any current year.

3. A privileged member is one who not being a resident in any part of this Province, is temporarily in the city of Toronto, whom the "House Committee" may admit to the privileges of the Club for such period of weeks or months not exceeding two months in all.

4. All members of other Clubs in this and other Provinces of Canada, not being residents of Toronto, or within five miles thereof, may be admitted by the Board to the privileges of the Club for two weeks.

5. A member may introduce, as a visitor, to the privileges of the Club any friend, who resides out of this Province, for two weeks being answerable for any dues contracted by him.

6. Any of the above privileges shall not be repeated to the recipient until six months after the former privilege has elapsed.

7. The names and residence of all privileged members, and the duration of such privilege shall always appear in the Visitors' Book.

VISITORS.

17.—Any member, at his own expense, has the privilege of introducing one or more of his friends

to the visitors' room, and to breakfast, lunch or dinner, and the name of each such friend shall be entered in the Visitors Book.

2. Guests of any member with whom they have dined at the Club, shall have all the privileges of the Club, while such member is with them.

CLUB HOURS AND RULES.

18.—The Club shall open every day for the reception of members from eight o'clock in the forenoon until one o'clock on the following morning, except on Saturdays and Sundays, when the hour of closing shall be midnight. The Club House shall be closed and lights extinguished after such hours, and no member shall, on any pretence whatever, be admitted to or allowed to remain in the Club after such hours of closing, unless the previous permission in writing of the "House Committee" has been obtained.

2. Every member is to pay his bills for every expense he may incur in the Club before he leaves the house.

3. Any cause of complaint by any member is to be by letter to the Secretary, and any inattention or improper conduct on the part of a servant is also to be stated by letter to the Secretary.

4. No gambling shall be permitted in the Club, and no games of any kind on Sundays.

5. No higher stakes than quarter dollar points shall be played for at whist, nor shall any bet exceed one dollar.

6. Écarté, picquet, euchre, billiards and pool may be played for limited stakes, the limits to be fixed by the Billiard Room Committee, and such Committee shall have power to fix a limit to the hours during which cards or billiards may be played in the Club.

FURTHER CAUSES OF FORFEITURE OF MEMBERSHIP.

19.—Any member shall be liable to forfeiture of his membership in any of the following cases (besides those authorized by any other By-law): In case a member neglects to pay any dues or accounts due to the Club, for a period of one month after notice shall have been given to him by the Secretary, to pay the same.

2. In case a member wilfully commits any breach of the Constitution or By-laws of the Club, wilfully violates or neglects the observance of any rule or regulation provided by such By-laws or by the Board of Directors, or any Committee under the authority thereof.

3. A member forfeiting his membership for non-payment of his subscription or other dues, may be reinstated within three months of such forfeiture, by the unanimous vote of the Board of Directors, upon all arrears being first paid up.

4. Any member who shall withdraw, resign, or whose membership shall become forfeited from any cause, shall *ipso facto* cease to be a member of the Club, and all his right or claim thereon, or in or to its property or funds, shall become vested in the Club.

ANNUAL AND OTHER MEETINGS.

20.—There shall be a general Annual Meeting of the Club, to be held at the Club House, on the first Wednesday in May. The Board shall also have power to call from time to time special meetings of the Club. They shall also call a special meeting at any time on the requisition of ten members sent to the Secretary-Treasurer, and expressing the specific objects thereof. Twenty resident members of the Club shall constitute a quorum at all general and special meetings.

2. All notices of meetings of the Club or of the Board shall be considered as duly given if posted in the Club for the required time, and all notices required to be given to members under any of these By-laws, shall be considered as duly given if so posted, (except notices required to be given to a newly elected candidate).

AMENDMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION.

21.—Any amendment to the constitution shall require an affirmative vote of two thirds of the members present, at a general or special meeting called for the purpose.

2. No amendment to the constitution shall be voted upon, unless a copy thereof shall have been furnished to the Secretary, at least three weeks before the Annual or Special Meeting of the Club; and it shall be the duty of the Secretary to cause the same to be printed and distributed to the members at the same time with the notice of the Annual

or Special Meeting, which shall be given at least ten days before any such meeting. These restrictions shall not apply to the amendment of a proposed amendment of the constitution when being considered by the Club.

SCRUTINEERS.

22.—The President or presiding officer at the Annual or Special Meeting shall appoint three scrutineers, whose duty shall be to open the polls and count the ballots, in the presence of at least five other members, and those persons having the greatest number of votes shall be entitled to office, and shall enter upon their duties forthwith, after the date of their election.

CONSTRUCTION OF CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

23.—In respect to all questions of the construction of the Constitution and By-laws, the decision of the Board once made thereon ahall be final and obligatory, until rescinded by the Board itself or by the Club, at any general or special meeting.

LIST OF MEMBERS.

1886.

RESIDENT.

Akers, John
Alexander, D. W.
Allen, A. A.
Allan A. A.

Arnoldi, F.
Arthurs, William, Col.
Aldwell, Loyd
Armstrong, T. C. L.

Bailey, J. R.
Baker, A.
Bendelari, E.
Blaikie, J. L.
Blake, Hon. Edward
Blain, Hugh
Bowes, R. H.
Boyd, Alexander
Brock, W. R.
Burgess, R. K.
Boyd, John

Blackstock, T. G.
Baird, H. N.
Brock, H.
Boeck, E. C.
Brown, Thomas
Britton, E. H.
Boisseau, Edward
Bradshaw, W. A.
Barton, R. A.
Bain, James

Carruthers, Jas.
Caddick, R.
Campbell, Alex.
Carrie, Robert
Caston, H. E.
Christie, Thomas
Close, P. G.
Cockshutt, C.
Cooper, H.

Crowther, William
Christie, William
Canniff, William, M.D.
Crewe, H. S.
Cox, E. Strachan
Crean, Robert
Croil, A. W.
Cassidy, Frank
Campbell, Paul

Cooper, James
Copp, W. W.
Cosgrave, L.
Cumberland, Barlow
Carter, E. T.
Cosby, A. M.

Crawford, Andrew
Catto, John
Clarke, H. E., M.P.P.
Close, A. J.
Clement, W. H. P.

Darling, Andrew
Darling, H. W.
Darling, T. J.
Darling, Robert
Davies, Robert
Davison, J. L., M.D.
Davison, S.
Denison, G. T.
Dixon, B. Homer
Doherty, C. B.

Downey, John
Drayton, P. H.
Dwight, H. P.
Dwight, H. W.
Donogh, John
Dwight, Lyman
Dickson, George
Dowker, H. B.
Douglass, William I.
Davidson, Charles

Eby, J. F.
Ellis, John F.
Ellis, R. B.
Evatt, W. W.

Ewing, R. D.
Ellis, J. E.
Earls, John

Farley, W. W.
Foster, James R.
Foster, W. A.

Francis, Wellington
Fullerton, James S.
Flynn, Thomas

Goulding, William
Gray, Robert H.
Grote, G. W.
Gordon, W. T.
Gibson, J. G.
Gooderham. W. G.

Gillespie, G. E.
Gwatkin, R. L.
Gage, W. G.
Godson, A. W.
Goodall, James

Hall, W. M.
Hart, S. R.
Henderson, David
Henderson, John
Henderson, J. D.
Hessin, William
Howland, O. A.
Howland, W. H.

Hughes, B. B.
Henderson, Duncan
Howland, Sir W. P.
Hughes, P. D.
Hamilton, R. B.
Hawke, Widmer
Henry, Thomas B.
Hay, John D.

Irving, A. M.
Irving, A. S.

Irwin, John D.

Jackes, Joseph
Johnston, W. R.
Johnson, R. G.

Janes, S. H.
Johnson, Phelps

Kay, John
Kennedy, George
Kennedy, J. J.
Kieley, George

Kilgour, Robert
Kapelle, George
Keith, John
Kennedy, Frederick

Lee, Arthur B.
Lee, A. Burdett
Lees, John
Lindsay, Charles
Laidlaw, William
Lowe, W. G. H.
Lancaster, Joseph E.
Lambe, W. G. A.

Matthews, W. D.
Manning, Frank
Macdonald, W. C.
Malone, E. T.
Mara, H. S.
Massey, John
Millichamp, Reuben
Mackie, Alexander
Manley, F. F.
Manning, Alexander
Martin, C.
Mason, J. R.
Mason, James
Matthews, W. C.
Moore, S. J.
May, S.
Mead, J. H.
Morrice, J. David
Medland, W. A.
Meyers, A. H.
Michie, Forbes
Michie, George
Mowat, Hon. O.
Morrison, James L.
Miller, A. A.
Musson, George
Mutton, W. G.
Myles, Robert
McLaughlin, C. H.
Macdougall, A.

McCabe, W.
McKinnon, S. F.
McMaster, Hon. W.
McMaster, W. F.
McWilliams, W. G.
McClain, R.
McNaught, W. K.
McGee, James C.
McKay, Donald
McGee, John A.

Nelson, C. H.
Nelson, H. W.
Nairn, Alexander

Oliver, J. D.
O'Reilley, W. T.

Patterson, R. L.
Pearson, James
Pirie, A. F.
Phillips, F. J.
Pollock, Charles
Pepler, J.
Pender, D. A.

Rennie, D. M.
Roaf, J. R.
Robertson, James
Robertson, J. Ross
Robins, William
Robinson, Herbert
Rose, George McLean
Roy, A. K.
Roaf, William.
Ritchie, C. H.
Reford, William
Riordan, J. G.

Saunders, Bernard
Saunders, J. M.
Scott, Hugh
Sheard, M.
Simpson, Joseph
Smith, Andrew
Smith, J. C.
Smith, James E.
Smith, Goldwin
Smith, G. B.
Stovel, Edward
Sutherland, R. W.
Smith, Edward
Stewart, F. J.
Smith, Charles
Simpson, E. A.
Sheppard, E. E.
Smith, A. W.
Sterling, Walter
Sims, Allison H.
Slatter, Philip J.
Stark, W. M.
Stark, R. J.

Thomson, D. E.
Trotter, R. G.
Toshack, E. A.

Taylor, John
Tiffin, E.

Williams, Samuel
Wellington, W. E.
Walker, David
Walker, Harton
Walmsley, Thomas
Walker, Joseph

Worts, T. F.
Williamson, T. G.
Walker, J. H.
White, Arthur
Wyld, F.

NON-RESIDENT.

Alexander, W., address, Toronto.

Browning, T. B. address, Toronto.
Bain, Robert .... " ... Toronto.
Barber, J. R. ..... Georgetown.
Burke, E. G. ..... Campbellford.
Brayley, Jas. .... late of Toronto.
Badenach ..... Montreal.

Cantlie, J. A. ..... Montreal.
Coyne, J. H. ..... St. Thomas.

Dartnell, G. W. ..... Whitby

Gibson, J. M. ..... Hamilton.

Hegler, J. C. ..... Woodstock.
Hughes, E. ... Kidderminster, E.
Holt, J. A. .... C. C., New York.

Isbester, Jas. ..... Ottawa.

Larkin, P... .... St. Catharines.

McEwan, D..... Cornwall·
McQuestin, I. B. ..... Hamilton.

Miller, J. B. ..... Parry Sound.
Murray, George.... Churchville.

Palmer, S. P..... New York.
Pretavoine, H. ..... Paris, F.
Perry, J. Ham..... Whitby.

Riordan, Chas. .. St. Catharines.
Robins, M..... England.

Tilley, J. J. .. address, Toronto.
Taylor, Henry.....London.

Whitlaw, J. M..... Uxbridge
Waldie, John..... Burlington
Whimster, J..... Aurora